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60/17. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire[2] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1528 (2004) of 27 February 2004, by which the Council established the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for an initial period of twelve months as from 4 April 2004, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation, the latest of which was resolution 1652 (2006) of 24 January 2006, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation until 15 December 2006,

Recalling also its resolution 58/310 of 18 June 2004 on the financing of the Operation and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 60/17 A of 23 November 2005,

Recalling further its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Operation with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of

[1] Resolution 60/17, in section VI of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 49* (A/60/49), vol. I, becomes resolution 60/17 A.

[2] A/60/630 and A/60/753 and Corr.1.

[3] A/60/896.

its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005 and 60/266 of 30 June 2006, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire as at 30 April 2006, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 80.7 million United States dollars, representing some 9 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only twenty-eight Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Operation in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Operation;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 and 60/266;

11. *Looks forward* to the consideration of the comprehensive report requested in section VIII, paragraph 3, of its resolution 60/266;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that quick-impact projects are implemented in compliance with the original intent of such projects and relevant General Assembly resolutions;

13. *Decides* to approve the resources requested for quick-impact projects in the proposed budget for the Operation for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007, in the interim;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the quick-impact projects in the financial period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;

15. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Operation is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

16. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Operation against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Operation;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005

17. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005;[4]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

18. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire the amount of 438,366,800 dollars for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007, inclusive of 420,175,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation, 15,025,600 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 3,166,000 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

19. *Decides also* to apportion among Member States the amount of 200,328,914 dollars for the period from 1 July to 15 December 2006, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 58/256 of 23 December 2003, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2006, as set out in its resolution 58/1 B of 23 December 2003;

20. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 4,483,156 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,601,258 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 772,403 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 109,495 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

21. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 238,037,886 dollars at a monthly rate of 36,530,566 dollars for the period from 16 December 2006 to 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 58/256, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2006, as set out in its resolution 58/1 B, and the scale of assessments for 2007,[5] subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Operation;

22. *Decides also* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 5,327,044 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 4,279,142 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 917,797 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 130,105 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

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[4] A/60/630.

[5] To be adopted by the General Assembly.

23. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 57,385,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2005, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 58/256, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2005, as set out in its resolution 58/1 B;

24. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 57,385,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2005, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 23 above;

25. *Decides also* that the decrease of 1,436,900 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2005 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 57,385,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 23 and 24 above;

26. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

27. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Operation, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

28. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Operation in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

29. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire".

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